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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's comments mailed September 13, 2001. Submitted herein is a Request for extension of time, and required fee, extending the period for responding to the Examiner's Communication to and including January 13, 2002. Also enclosed is a declaration by Dr. James A. Williams plus Dr. Williams' curriculum vitae and publication list.

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Please change the title to: "SOLUBLE RECOMBINANT BOTULINUM TOXIN PROTEINS."